

State Of Maryland 2018 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name Of Project
lr2012		lr3903	hb1749	Le Mondo
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Robinson				Hayes
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore City				\$250,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of buildings for the Le Mondo arts collective				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.	
8. Special Provisions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Ph#	Email Address
Carly J. Bates			954-675-8117	carly@lemondo.org
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
<p>Le Mondo is a non-profit arts incubator led by three veteran artist-organizers, Carly J. Bales, Evan Moritz, and Frederick Gerriets, alongside a board of experienced professionals, to create an artist-owned, multi-faceted arts and entertainment center and community hub in downtown West Baltimores Bromo Arts District. Le Mondo's mission is to provide safe, truly affordable, and sustainable space for artists and community organizations to expand their practice, grow their small businesses, and in turn pay themselves and their employees; to cultivate a permanent hub for the appreciation and incubation of new, daring performance work in the city and to position Baltimore as a rival experimental performance arts capital to New York; and to create a new innovative model for cultural economy in Baltimore that empowers its constituents and transforms its surroundings.</p>				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

Le Mondo owns three abandoned historic properties at 406 - 412 North Howard Street in downtown West Baltimore that are be renovated into a permanent, artist-owned, multi-use performing arts complex. Upon completion, the 30,000 square foot project will be comprised of: A multi-use arts venue with a neighborhood bar and studio spaces (406); A black-box theater, rehearsal/workshop space, and affordable live-work apartments (408-410); and additional apartments with a ground-floor neighborhood cafe and green space (412). Funding and renovations at 406 North Howard, Le Mondos first venue and bar, will be complete and open to the public in May 2018. Bond bill funding requested will allow the organization to stabilize their two beautiful historic buildings at 408 - 412, light the block up for the first time in decades, and significantly increase visibility and traffic to the project and the neighborhood. This phase of the project is shovel-ready upon bond bill funding.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	
Design	\$100,000
Construction	\$250,000
Equipment	
Total	\$350,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

State Bond Bill	\$250,000
France Merrick Foundation	\$100,000
Individual Donor Base	\$50,000
Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Grant	\$40,000
DPOB Operation Storefront Grant	\$10,000
DPOB Facade Improvement Grant	\$20,000
Total	\$470,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
10/1/2018	12/15/2019	1/1/2019	11/1/2019
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
50000.00		N/A	20,000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2017	\$75,000	MDHCD Community Legacy for 406 - 412 North Ho	
2017	\$300,000	Project C.O.R.E. for 406 renovation and acquisition	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Le Mondo 406 North Howard St. Baltimore, MD 21201		406-412 North Howard St. Baltimore, MD 21201	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	40 - Baltimore City		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Mark Keener	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	410-727-7702		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
218 N. Charles St. Suite 400 Baltimore, MD 21201			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
4	16	81000.00	379000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			Yes
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
Annex Theater	N/A	\$48,000	2000
Charm City Fringe Fest	N/A	\$24,000	2000
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	15,000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	4,000		
New GSF	15,000		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

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28. Comments

Le Mondo is comprised of a strong, experienced staff whose members have collectively been responsible for many significant milestones within Baltimore's recent cultural renaissance in the last two decades. The project is a catalytic anchor to West Side revitalization and the Bromo Arts District Initiative. Le Mondo is a unique combination of arts entrepreneurship, arts development, programming and placemaking. The project is a model anchor and artist-owned arts hub that will:

- * Incubate Small Performance Groups - The project will develop and support new and existing performance groups by providing space as well as business / educational development services in a creative co-working environment;
- * Boost the Small Business Economy - By providing favorable lease terms and affordable space to local, small businesses;
- * Invigorate Local Retail - A thriving, around-the-clock destination on Howard Street will drive much needed traffic to struggling restaurants and small stores;
- * Foster the creative & eclectic feel of Baltimores West Side - The project will help facilitate the social gathering that is essential to maintaining the neighborhoods sense of identity;
- * Reinvigorate the Once Thriving Theater District - By redeveloping the area immediately around cultural landmarks such as the Mayfair Theatre, Le Mondo will help revive the center of Baltimores historic Bromo Arts District and inspire the development of other similar projects such as Current Space;
- * Increase Foot Traffic - With a current annual audience of 10,000 patrons and the ability to expand to 100,000 annual patrons, Le Mondo will drive foot traffic to a currently empty and blighted section of the corridor;
- * Transit - Located between the Center Street and Lexington Street Light Rail stops and with access to multimodal public transportation, Le Mondo will improve transit ridership by creating a bustling attraction along these routes.